

REMARKS

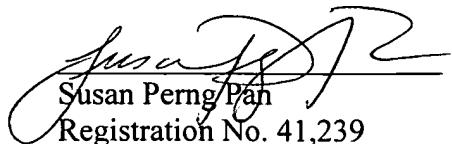
This Amendment, filed in reply to the Office Action dated April 21, 2005 and the Advisory Action dated October 19, 2005, is believed to be fully responsive to each point of rejection raised therein. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Claims 16-17 and 19-20 have been deemed allowable over the art of record. Applicant hereinabove amends claims 16-17 and 19-20 in independent form and cancels the remaining pending claims without prejudice or disclaimer.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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